



SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 23, 1903.

TOMORROW will be the forty-second anniversary of the departure from their home of the Alexandrians who became part of the Army of Northern Virginia. The scenes on that historic morning have been retold often in past years. Some are still living who participated in the exodus, as well as others who witnessed scenes in connection therewith. The ranks of both classes, however, are gradually becoming thinner, and ere long, like Napoleon's Old Guard, the last in the single-file march will have passed over the river. This, however, will in no wise militate against the interest which has for many years been manifested by people of this city in the 24th of May. It is peculiarly Alexandria's sacred day. Time will go on until none who participated in or witnessed the exit will be living, but their descendants year by year will gather under the name of one organization or another and recapitulate the scenes of that memorable morn and transmit them from one generation to another. And right here it may be in order to make a suggestion. We are told that in classic days the children of Greece were compelled to memorize the Iliad and Odyssey of Homer—their national poems. Why should not children in Alexandria be made thoroughly familiar with the most interesting and important chapter in the history of their city, even as the little Greeks were with the Trojan war? We have a splendid public school system, and let some one—and there are a number in our midst who can—write out a succinct history of the capture of Alexandria on May 24, 1861, the killing of Colonel Ellsworth and Capt. James W. Jackson, together with other scenes enacted here during the first year of the civil war and have it incorporated in a reader already used or bound in a separate volume. The matters referred to would then become familiar to the little child who would grow up with the city's annals in his or her mind.

MR. ROOSEVELT will not be indorsed by the Ohio State convention for the republican nomination for President next year if Senator Hanna can prevent it. Senators Hanna and Foraker are at loggerheads over the question. Senator Foraker insists that the convention shall indorse the President; Senator Hanna characterizes the attitude of Senator Foraker as malicious and an attempt to smoke him out. Senator Hanna says in defense of his position that he would never do for the State which he controls to indorse at this time President Roosevelt, as he (Hanna) is chairman of the national committee. For Ohio to indorse the President, the Senator declares, would be to give formal notice to the aspirants from all other States that the national committee was opposed to any one else entering the race, and this would surely engender bad feeling, thus destroying harmony in the national organization. Mr. Foraker takes a different view, and so they go.

A HALF-MILLION DOLLARS' worth of ex-Captain Oberlin M. Carter's investments have been located in five States by Assistant Attorney General Erwin, acting for the Department of Justice. The testimony preliminary to bringing the civil suit against Carter, who has been convicted by court martial and is now serving a sentence in the Leavenworth penitentiary for conspiracy to defraud the government, has been collected, and proceedings, it is said, will be begun in the fall. In the meantime, it is stated, that an effort is being made to locate the property in this country of Greene and Gaynor, who are now fugitives from justice in Quebec, and who, it is said, divided between them \$1,400,000 of the alleged Carter pecuniations. This robbery was one of the boldest and best planned that ever occurred, but it only showed how easy it was with men in authority to get away with the government money over which they had control.

ACCORDING to views expressed by men from 20 of the leading manufacturing States in the Union, who met in executive session at the rooms of the National Association of Manufacturers in New York yesterday, capital all over the country is preparing for a struggle with labor. This state of affairs is much to be deplored, but the manufacturers claim that under existing conditions it is impossible for them to conduct their own business according to their own ideas, and that the demands being constantly made upon them by agitators can no longer be considered. Would that a Daniel could come to judgment and settle the difficulties between capital and labor.

In a recent letter to a New York newspaper, ex-President Cleveland, in speaking of those democrats who refused to support him after he was nominated, referred to them as "deserters." Mr. Cleveland should turn the glass upon himself. What did he do when he was

President and Mr. Bryan had been nominated by the same party that had three times nominated and twice elected him (Mr. Cleveland) President? People who live in glass houses should not throw stones.

EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND says it is not time yet for him to talk politics, but that if a contingency arises he may do so.

FROM WASHINGTON.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

Washington, D. C., May 23.

The Postmaster-General this afternoon made public the statement of Comptroller of the Treasury Tracewell, F. A. Vanderlip, former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and ex-Attorney General Griggs, bearing upon the charges made by Seymour W. Tulloch that they were instrumental in having transferred and later removed as a result of political influence, a treasury expert, T. W. Gilmer, just as the postoffice investigation he had in charge was becoming interesting. Mr. Vanderlip and Mr. Griggs enter at length into the charges of interference with accounts. Comptroller Tracewell denies that any review of the accounts was suppressed, but that all of the accounts in question were allowed with the exception of \$930. He denies ever having talked with Mr. Tulloch; of having detected any dishonest practices; and says that, although he transferred the expert on the charges of insolence made by Deputy Auditor Lawshe, he had never found Gilmer a faithful worker, and not afflicted with the unpleasant characteristics of which complaint was made. Comptroller Tracewell states that the accounts in question in the local postoffice were reviewed under his instructions; that "at no time before, during or after the commencement of the revision, was any political or other pressure brought to bear upon him, or attempted to be brought to bear."

Postmaster-General Payne gave out for publication this morning the reply of Auditor Castle of the Postoffice Department to the charges of maladministration recently filed by S. W. Tulloch, ex-cashier of the city postoffice. Mr. Castle dismisses certain charges of irregularities in certifying accounts by disclaiming any authority under the law to revise, alter, or review items of expenditures made upon the judgment and discretion of other officials charged with such duties. Further he declares that an accounting officer has no means of knowing whether employees carried on the rolls are required to perform services. "We trust to the scrutiny of department officials and the honesty of the postmasters," he says. Concerning the matter of alleged irregularities in the military postal fund, he denies that \$30,000 or more was held up as questionable. He admits that many of the items were unusual and that a few of them were irregular. "Whether the service was necessary or the compensation extravagant," he says, "the department was the sole judge. But it is significant that of the \$300,000 appropriation for the military postal funds, the expenditure of which was left entirely to the discretion of the Postmaster-General, only \$249,666.55 were actually expended in two years." He declares that the expenditure of local funds for departmental uses is not illegal, but that irregular accounting may result.

The Army and Navy Register, a semi-official journal of the two services, this morning says editorially: "There are persistent rumors that Secretary Moody intends to retire from President Roosevelt's cabinet at the end of the term if not before, and coincident with this gossip comes the interesting statement that Mr. Roosevelt has a notion to appoint Mr. Moody to the Supreme Court, or, at least, to make him a circuit court judge. Representative Dayton, of West Virginia, and Senator Perkins, of California, are mentioned as his successors as Secretary of the Navy."

One thousand sets of the new Philippine coins that have recently been made at the United States mints have been reserved for sale in this country to collectors and others. There are seven coins in each set, a peso, 50, 20, and 10 centavo pieces in silver, a nickel five centavo piece and two and one-half centavo pieces in copper. There has been considerable demand for these coins from collectors who regard them as among the handsomest pieces of money ever minted. The price is two dollars per set. The proceeds will be turned into the Philippine treasury.

Mr. Park Agnew, chairman of the republican committee of Virginia, has issued a call for a meeting in Richmond June 11, of both the State committee and the executive committee. The purpose is to decide which of the two Richmond factions is the "real thing" and also to consider the establishment of a republican newspaper somewhere in the State.

The Secretary of War has determined to issue to all officers and men who served in the Spanish war, the Philippine war and the Chinese campaign, bronze medals to be struck off at the national mints.

Alexander Melville Bell, the venerable father of Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, of telephone fame, lies in extremis at his summer home at Colonial Beach, in Westmoreland county, Va. There would appear to be very slight hopes of his recovery.

What is said by the Chicago police to be the most mammoth get-rich-quick scheme ever set in operation was nipped this morning by raids made by detectives on the George T. (Red Letter) Sullivan Stock and Grain Company. After an investigation of a week of transactions of the concern, detectives working on the case have found evidence that the Sullivan Company and alleged swindling turf concerns raided during the past few months, were operated by the same men.

The Montreal Street Railway Company is making every effort to operate their lines and, owing to the loyalty of a few old employees, they have been able, up to noon, to get five cars out of the barns. These are manned by members of the union who have more sympathy with their employers than with the strikers. Each car is protected by five policemen. As yet no trouble has been reported, although it is feared strikers will do everything possible to enforce a tie-up.

Four men were injured in an explosion of powder coal at the plant of the Portland cement company at Martins Creek, near Easton, Pa., this morning.

THE PRESBYTERIANS.

Touching on the important question of creed revision at the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church at Los Angeles, Cal., yesterday, Stated Clerk Rev. W. H. Roberts announced that all of the 11 amendments to the confession of faith had been adopted by the presbyteries by an almost unanimous vote. "No one overture to creed revision," Dr. Roberts said, "received less than 195 affirmative votes, nor more than 9 negative votes. This is said to settle the question of revision for years to come, but, as one of the commissioners expressed it: 'This does not mean that the church has changed or revised her faith. The revision is in the line of dropping some phrases capable of a double meaning and the more explicit statement of others.' The assembly then turned its attention to the long list of reports of special committees submitted for approval. Reading of the reports consumed the remainder of the morning session.

Before the formal opening of the assembly in the Presbyterian church at Lexington, Va., yesterday an interesting meeting was held in the chapel at Washington and Lee University and attended by a large crowd. The address of welcome was made by President Denny, of the university, and Rev. Dr. Theron H. Rice, of Atlanta, Ga., responded on behalf of the visitors. After devotional exercises in the church at the morning session, Rev. Dr. Thornton Whaling pastor of the Lexington church, presented to the assembly a gavel sent from China by Rev. P. Frank Price, a missionary from the church, to be used on this occasion. The moderator, Dr. Hopkins, accepted the gavel on behalf of the assembly. The first business of the day was the announcement of the standing committees. Reports were made at the afternoon session by the committee on education for the ministry, the twentieth century fund, theological seminaries, and all were referred. The committee on Sabbath observance reported that in a number of presbyteries the day had been observed with encouraging results, and that although the Sabbath was still desecrated by the Sunday train, the Sunday paper and otherwise, yet a strong sentiment seemed to be growing in favor of its more universal observance in accordance with the Bible teaching. The treasurer's report showed receipts for the past year to be \$2,830.95; disbursements, \$2,455.90; balance on hand, \$375.05. Last night the meeting was held in the interest of Sabbath schools. This afternoon was given to the observance of Confederate Memorial Day, with addresses in Washington and Lee Chapel.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

The Confederate Veteran parade was held in New Orleans, yesterday. The hour set for the parade was 3 o'clock. For an hour previous to that time Canal street, upon which the head of the line of march was formed, was a jumble that defies language. The people pushed here and there, they cheered and waved their flags, they stood in front of street cars and ran before horses.

At 3 o'clock a bugle's notes sounded "Forward, march!" Up St. Charles street, the column turned, passing under the eyes of General Gordon, too ill to take part in the parade, and marched away to the Lee Monument, around one-half of which it circled, and passed on south along St. Charles avenue to Felicite street, where the countermarch was begun on St. Charles avenue. The Lee Monument was passed again on the opposite side, and then the way was down Camp street to Canal, where the parade disbanded.

At the head of the column was Gen. J. B. Levert, of New Orleans, the chief marshal, with his numerous staff. A feature of the parade was a beautifully decorated float, upon which were seated the 16 heralds of the reunion.

Following the young ladies were carriages in which rode ladies whose husbands had rendered distinguished services to the Confederacy. They were Mrs. Stonewall Jackson, Mrs. E. Kirby Smith, Mrs. Braxton Bragg, Mrs. Thomas J. Semmes and Mrs. John H. Reagan.

At the head of the veterans rode Gen. C. I. Walker, commanding the department of the Army of Northern Virginia, and the division of his department marched in the following order: South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia and Maryland.

Gen. S. D. Lee, of the army of the Tennessee department, rode with his staff just behind a carriage containing Mayor Capdeville, Gen. A. P. Stewart and Gen. Joseph Wheeler. Following General Lee were the divisions of his department—Louisiana, Tennessee, Alabama, Florida, Mississippi, Georgia and Kentucky.

General Cabell, of the trans-Mississippi department, headed the last division of the old soldiers, and with him were the men of Texas, Indian Territory, Arkansas and Oklahoma.

With each department was a carriage containing the sponsor and her maids of honor.

The Sons of Veterans were strongly represented, and the parade was closed by a long line of carriages containing the ladies of various memorial and patriotic societies.

About 10,000 men were in line and it was just four hours from the start on Canal street until the column disbanded.

EPISCOPAL COUNCIL.

The one hundred and eighth annual session of the Protestant Episcopal Church Council of Virginia adjourned at Winchester, yesterday afternoon.

One of the most important features of the day's session was the action of the council in voting to expel Rev. J. T. Hargrove from the body and deposing him from the ministry. Nearly all of Wednesday's meeting of the council had been occupied by a secret session, and the object of this developed yesterday to have been the consideration of Mr. Hargrove's case. Very little could be learned of the man from members of the body, but it was stated that he is a native of New York, and had been connected with the Connecticut diocese.

He joined the Virginia diocese, but never had a regular charge. He was in Rev. Mr. Hepburn's parish, in Essex county, and while there he is alleged to have been guilty of immorality. Bishop Gibson announced that he had accepted Mr. Hargrove's renunciation, and read a lengthy correspondence between himself and the bishop of Connecticut concerning the case. The council then voted to depose the man.

In connection with a memorial to be established to the late Bishop Francis M. Whittle, and for the purpose of setting apart a portion of the diocesan mission fund, to be known as the Whittle Memorial fund, and establishing the Whittle Memorial Institute—a resolution was adopted disapproving of the first plan, and recommending that the Whittle Memorial be used as the memorial to Bishop Whittle.

The question of changing the name of the church resulted in the adoption of a revised resolution, opposing the change. The resolution was as follows:

Resolved, That the council of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Virginia cordially indorses that portion of its bishop's address which treats of the proposed change in the name of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America. It believes that any such action on the part of the general convention would be unwise, misleading, and revolutionary in its consequences, and the council enters its solemn protest against further agitation of this subject as a hindrance to the peace and growth of our beloved church and the unity of Christendom.

The annual report on the woman's auxiliary of the diocese was read and adopted. The disbursements were: Foreign missions, \$1,735.20; domestic missions, \$1,034.44; diocesan missions, \$1,206; boxes in Virginia valued at \$1,197.65; emergency fund, \$102; united offering, \$180.70; Whittle Memorial Chapel, \$835.65; specials \$47. The disbursements of the junior auxiliary were as follows: Foreign missions, \$274.78; domestic missions, \$15.81; diocesan missions, \$92.19; boxes valued at \$42.70; united offering, \$15.58; babies' offering, \$100. The grand total is \$8,007.70.

Rev. Dr. Strange submitted a report of the committee appointed to change canon 8 of the church laws. The proposed change provides for rotation in the election of vestrymen, and the committee were unanimously in favor of making the change. The report was adopted.

The Daughters of the Kirtz also met in annual session yesterday in conjunction with the council. Various reports were read showing the body to be in excellent spiritual and financial shape.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. John Moncre, of Richmond, president; Miss M. A. Fulton, Richmond, vice president; Miss M. F. Ward, Winchester, secretary and treasurer. They adjourned to meet in Richmond in May next year.

From the bishop's annual address delivered on Thursday the following important points are taken: A noble and affectionate tribute was paid to his predecessor Bishop Whittle, who died after the meeting of the last council. When Bishop Whittle was elected assistant bishop the whole territory of Virginia and West Virginia was comprised in the diocese of Virginia. Before his death the territory formed was divided into three dioceses and instead of 8,000 communicants throughout the whole undivided diocese there were at the time of his death 30,000 communicants in the same district, notwithstanding the constant movement of people from the dioceses.

The bishop referred to the appointment of an archdeacon and left this matter to the decision of the council. He also, in statesmanlike, but unequivocal language, defended the retention of the present title of the Episcopal church as in full line with the history and position of this church in this country.

The committee on finance recommended the purchase of a new Episcopal residence, which was accepted by the council.

Rev. C. E. Ball of Grace Church, Alexandria, moved that when the festival of the Ascension falls after the 3rd Wednesday in May the day for the meeting of the council shall be the second Wednesday in May of such a year. This was referred to a committee on constitution and causes, to be appointed by the bishop.

The former standing committee was re-elected.

The Rt. Rev. R. A. Gibson is president of the diocesan missionary executive committee which remains the same with the exception of the names of Revs. H. F. Klonan, N. P. Dame and S. S. Hepburn, which are now added to the list. Revs. R. A. Goodwin, W. M. Clark and Messrs. Joseph Bryan, John F. Glenn and Boswell Alsop were elected as the standing committee on church property.

The council approved the founding of the Bethau Institute for deaconesses as a memorial to Bishop Whittle.

The bishop was authorized to send a proper person, clergyman or layman, to plead the cause of the ministry among the young men of all colleges, an amount not exceeding \$100 to be used for this object at the bishop's discretion from the Diocesan Missionary Society's funds.

A committee was appointed to make the appropriation for foreign and domestic missions in this diocese for another year.

The report of the secretary (Miss Sarah Stuart) of the Woman's Auxiliary of the diocese of Virginia was read, and showed a gratifying condition of the society.

The case of Rev. J. T. Hargrove, of the diocese of Connecticut, but resident for some time in Hanover county, Virginia, who was accused of immoral practices which were considered in secret session of the council, was disposed of by a request for deposition to be pro-

nounced by the bishop of Connecticut, his diocesan.

SCHOOL TAXATION.

The new State corporation commission has issued its first order. The order effects corporations doing business in the State as related to taxation for school purposes, and is directed to the county superintendents of schools. After calling the attention of the superintendents to the general tax law, passed by the general assembly April 16, 1903, the commission says:

You will observe that the specific duty of providing the respective companies with the boundaries of school districts in the counties is imposed upon you in such a manner as to make a compliance with that duty essential to the execution of the law. The transportation and transmission companies may not make proper division of their properties among the various school districts unless you furnish them with the information required. And unless that information is furnished before July 1 the board of supervisors of your county may have difficulty in levying and in enforcing the payment of county, city, town, and school district levies.

Sections 27, 29, and 34 of the tax law refers to the assessment by the commission of all corporations for taxes, as follows: Railway and canal corporations, express companies and telephones and telegraph companies. These corporations are required to show their gross receipts to the 30th day of June of each year, the reports to be made to the commission on or before September 1. The corporations are required in this report to point out what part of their respective properties is located in each school district of each county or corporation. In making the assessments the commission is required to have the character of the property, its value, and location for the purposes of taxation in each county, city, town, and school district, so that county, city, town, and school district levies may be made upon same. In order, however, that this shall be done, the county superintendents of schools in each county is required to furnish the respective corporations on or before the 1st of July of each year with the boundaries of each school district in the county.

DEATH OF FATHER RYAN.

Rev. S. F. Ryan, pastor of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, corner Eighth and N streets northwest, Washington, died yesterday at the pastorate, adjoining the church. Father Ryan was born in 1846 at Frederick, Md. He began his preliminary studies at the Jesuit college there, where his brother, who since died, was also a student. He entered St. Charles College, Howard county, Md., September 10, 1868, and six years later went to St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore. At the conclusion of his seminary course he had not reached the age for ordination, and spent the interval teaching at St. Charles College as professor of Latin and English literature. He was ordained in 1868 by Archbishop Spalding, and his first duties as a priest were at St. Martin's Church, Baltimore, as assistant to Rev. John Foley, the present bishop of Detroit. Later he was sent to Cumberland, Md., assistant to Dean Brennan, at St. Patrick's Church. He was next made pastor at Hancock, and then pastor at Anacostia of St. Teresa's Church, which he built. On the death of Rev. P. F. McCarthy, in November, 1882, Father Ryan was appointed by Cardinal Gibbons pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

FIRE IN PORTSMOUTH.—The Seaboard Air Line Railway shops, minor offices, and warehouse on the outskirts of Portsmouth were practically destroyed by fire, which broke out shortly after 10 o'clock last night. The loss will foot up to some three-quarters of a million dollars. James Harrel, a machinist, who sought to save his tools was so badly burned that he will very probably die. No one else was seriously hurt. Firemen from Portsmouth, Norfolk, and Berkeley got hose into position, but the heat of the flames drove them back before they could approach within many yards of the fire. To render matters all the more hopeless, a terrific windstorm swept over that portion of Norfolk county. A blinding cloud of dust, sand, and grit drove hundreds of men, women, and children in every direction, in quest of shelter.

GOOD ADVICE.

The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint. More than seventy-five per cent. of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects; such as Sour Stomach, Sick Headache, Habitual Constipation, Palpitation of the Heart, Heart-burn, Water-brash, Gnawing and Burning Pains at the Pit of the Stomach, Yellow Skin, Costed Tongue and Disagreeable Taste in the Mouth, Coming up of Food after Eating, Low Spirits, etc. Go to your Druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 25 or 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it.

The Best Liniment.

"I have derived great benefit from the use of Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism and lumbago," says Mrs. Anna Hagelans, of Tuckahoe, N. J. "My husband used it for a sprained back and was also quickly relieved. In fact it is the best family liniment I have ever used. I would not think of being without it. I have recommended it to many and they always speak very highly of it and declare its merits are wonderful." For sale by Richard Gibson.

The Wastes of the Body.

Every seven days the blood, muscles and bones of a man of average size lose two pounds of weight tissue. This waste cannot be replenished and the health and strength kept up without perfect digestion. When the stomach and digestive organs fail to perform their functions, the strength lets down, health gives way, and disease sets up. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure enables the stomach and digestive organs to digest and assimilate all of the wholesome food that may be eaten into the kind of blood that rebuilds the tissues and protects the health and strength of the mind and body. Kodol cures Indigestion, Dyspepsia and all stomach troubles. It is an ideal spring tonic. Sold by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons.

List of Unclaimed Letters.

The following is a list of the letters remaining in the Alexandria, Va., postoffice on May 23, 1903:

Bell, Agnes
Bull, Alice
Bull, Mary H.
Edmond, James
Harvey, W.
Harris, William
Harris, Mr. & Mrs. Jos
Holladay, Fanny
Melia, Lizzie
Wilton, Elizabeth
Van, Sallie M.
JOSEPH L. CRUPPER, P. M.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

The Corporation Commission.

Richmond, Va., May 23.—The corporation commission is in position to grant charters for the first time today. Only two so far have been granted and they were secured by Congressman Southall, of Amelia, for local telephone and lumber companies. The commission announces its readiness now to hear all applications.

Senators Hanna and Foraker.

Cincinnati, May 23.—A Washington dispatch to the Enquirer says that Senator Foraker dictated a statement last night in which he says that Senator Hanna told him he is not a candidate for the presidency in 1904. He said that the rumor that the republican State convention would be called on to endorse Roosevelt was started by Hanna's lieutenants for political purposes. "Moreover," he continued, "Senator Hanna knows that the talk about having our convention declare in favor of President Roosevelt was started by his own friends. If nothing had been said on the subject, the convention might have contented itself with a mere indorsement of President Roosevelt's administration but these interviews will have precipitated an issue and they are evidently intended for that purpose. If such an issue is to be forced upon us, it will have to be met. I don't know what the convention will do but the probabilities are now that we will either have to make such a declaration or refuse to make it. I don't know why, if we are all for President Roosevelt, we should hesitate to join with other States in so declaring. There has been no thought in connection with the matter of smoking any body out; certainly no thought of smoking out Senator Hanna, for he has declared in the public press repeatedly that he is not a candidate and will not be a candidate and I have heard him say a number of times that he favors the nomination next year of Roosevelt. If we have no other candidate, it will do no harm to say so. If the convention should refuse to say it, it would be construed to mean that there is to be some other candidate. I don't know, if this is to be the case, who the other candidate is to be, but no matter who he may be, it is my opinion that the republicans of Ohio, at least a great majority of them, favor the nomination of President Roosevelt.

Pennsylvania-Western Union War.

Philadelphia, May 23.—The work of removing the Western Union poles and wires from Pennsylvania Railroad property has been virtually completed. No opposition to the wholesale destruction of property was raised. Here and there are a few short sections undisturbed, but they are valueless and the wires are cut. As soon as the Western Union debris can be cleared up the Pennsylvania Railroad, under its contract with the Postal Telegraph Company, will raise new pole lines. The Postal supplies and strings the wires and insulators. The Pennsylvania owns the poles.

New York, May 23.—The Western Union Telegraph Company, although handicapped by the wholesale destruction of its lines along the Pennsylvania Railroad, is handling nearly all business submitted and in but few instances is it compelled to accept messages "subject to delay." The only hope of the telegraph company is that the Supreme Court of the United States will reverse the United States Circuit Court of Appeals and give a decision against the railroad. They hope to have the appeal heard at the next term, which begins in October. If the Western Union gets the decision, it will use the Pennsylvania for not only the value of its poles and wires but also for lost business.

The Yachts.

Glen Cove, L. I., May 23.—There is a good northeast this morning which presaged a fine contest between Reliance, Columbia and Constitution today. Added interest was given to today's contest by the appearance of Constitution to make her first try against the Reliance, which defeated Columbia on Thursday. The wind indicated an eleven mile beat to windward, about northeast, a three mile broad reach, and an eleven mile run with the wind abaft the beam, for the course today. There was a slight bubble to the sea and Columbia's admirers agreed that Reliance would not make the runaway race she did two days ago. The northeast breeze was blowing at 8 knots an hour at eleven o'clock. It was then the general belief that it would increase to ten or twelve knots.

At 11:50 the regatta committee hoisted the flag "J," meaning that the race was postponed until later in the day. Yachtsmen look for a breeze in the course of the afternoon.

The wind came in streaks from the southwest latter and the race was started. Reliance crossed the line at 5:02; Constitution, 1:50:03; Columbia, 1:52:25.

At last accounts Reliance was in the lead.

Horse-Whipped Her Daughter.

St. Paul, Minn., May 23.—Cries of a girl brought over a hundred persons to the corner of south Wash and State streets yesterday to witness a horse-whipping inflicted by Mrs. Alice Galley upon her 18 year old daughter, Elizabeth. The girl pleaded with her mother to stop and a young man who attempted to seize the infuriated woman, received a blow across the face with the black snake whip and left with his face bleeding. Mrs. Galley's husband ran away with the daughter of Alfred Toler. Toler fell in love with Galley's daughter, and ran away with her. Mrs. Galley thereafter had considerable financial trouble and was recently compelled to move to the west side, where her two remaining daughters, Elizabeth and Annie, work in a cigar factory.

The Russian Succession.

Berlin, May 23.—The Tagesliche Rundschau learns that Russian court circles have received information that the Czar is seriously considering the alteration of the Russian laws of succession, so as to enable his eldest daughter to succeed him in the event of his having no son. The Czar, it is learned, has instructed distinguished educational authorities to elaborate a scheme of education whereby his eldest daughter may be prepared for the position of Empress.

St. Petersburg, May 23.—It is stated that the Czar will shortly make a pilgrimage to Sarafskaja, to visit the hermit father Serafim, who is a venerated worker of miracles. The purpose of the reported visit is to urge the hermit to pray for the birth of a son to the Czarina.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Chaplain William G. Cassard, United States navy, has withdrawn from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church and announces that he will enter the Protestant Episcopal Church and seek orders.

In the assignment of Bishops of the M. E. Church South, to preside over conferences for the present conference year, Bishop Wilson is to go to Brazil at the conference to be held August 8th; in December, he will preside at a Florida conference; and in March, at this city over the Baltimore conference.

Edward Lucas, a burglar of national reputation who was shot in a duel with three policemen last night in Chicago, died of his injuries this morning. The fight was one of the most desperate in police annals. Placed under arrest a most desperate battle with his officers ensued. While in the act of reaching for his pistol, he was shot by one of the prostrate men.

The State Department is co-operating with the Agricultural and Treasury Departments to carry out the terms of the anti-adulteration clause of the agricultural appropriation act passed by the last Congress, and it will not be surprising if the results are of exceeding importance and involve something akin to retaliation on the part of the European countries.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

The Gloucester Academy at Gloucester burned on Thursday night. The owner, Mr. Tabb; the faculty and students all escaped unharmed.

Walter Gregg Leith and Miss Carrie L. Rawlings were married at the home of the bride's mother on Thursday, May 21, at Silcott Springs, Loudoun county.

Mrs. Mary W. Curry, widow of Dr. J. L. M. Curry, died at Atlantic City yesterday. Mrs. Curry was a daughter of James Thomas, jr., one of the wealthiest of Richmond's citizens.

Charles N. Sweetman, of Richmond, a yard engineer for the Chesapeake and Ohio, was shot and almost instantly killed last night, in that city in the Second street yards of the company, by Daniel Brooks, a negro brakeman, who escaped. The killing was over a trivial matter.

The Virginia debt commission, appointed some years ago with a view to the settlement of Virginia's proportionate part of the debt owed jointly as a result of the civil war by Virginia and West Virginia met in Richmond yesterday but did not transact any business of importance. The body adjourned to meet at the call of the chairman.

Capt. R. S. Parks, Commonwealth's attorney for Page county, yesterday announced his candidacy for the State Senate from the district, composed of Page, Clarke, and Warren counties. There are three aspirants for the nomination, Senator Gold, of Clarke, the present senator; Mr. M. J. Fulton, of Front Royal, and Capt. Parks, of Page.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEVITIES.

Richard A. Canfield, indicted on the charge of keeping a gambling house in New York, has just returned from Europe and surrendered himself to the authorities today.

Louis Demott, a brother of Maxine Elliott, and Gertrude Elliott, the well known actresses, and who was mate of the British bark Brunel, is reported to have been lost overboard on the passage from Liverpool to Melbourne.

The Berk's county, Pa., court has been affirmed by the Superior Court in the case of N. S. Wertheimer who will now be obliged to serve his sentence of 18 months in the penitentiary. Wertheimer was convicted of conspiracy to defraud insurance companies out of \$63,000, through the burning of the Wertheimer shirt waist factory.

Burlington, Iowa, is to suffer as the result of a combination of the wagon and farming implement manufacturers in this country, the proposition being to form a gigantic trust, engineered by J. Pierpont Morgan, to control the manufacture of wagons and implements. It is proposed to take under one control all the principal factories in the United States.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Episcopal Church Association for the advancement of the interests of labor, held in New York last night, resolutions were adopted strongly condemning Governor Pennypacker of Pennsylvania, for vetoing the bill prohibiting children to labor in the coal mines and the measure for the weighing of coal at the pit mouth demanded by the anthracite miners.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Word was received in London today that the Finnish steamer Hyki has foundered in the Baltic, and that seventeen lives were lost.